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1. I WAS UNABLE TO GET APPOINTMENT THIS AFTERNOON WITH GOVGEN TO DISCUSS IEG HANDLING OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH ELF REGARDING RELEASE OF TENNECO FIVE. BURTCHAELL TOLD ME THAT COL. YESUWORKE, TENNECO LIAISON OFFICER, HAD BUTTONHOLED SEVERAL POLICE OFFICERS TO EXPRESS TENNECO'S DISPLEASURE ON DELAY OF PASSING ELF MESSAGE OF 30 MARCH. ACCORDING TO BURTCHAELL, COL. YESUWORKE WAS ASSURED THAT SUCH DELAYS WOULD NOT OCCUR IN THE FUTURE. HE ADDED THAT THE GOV GEN OF ERITREA HAD AGREED TO SWAP OF PRISONERS, POSSIBLY INCLUDING ONE OF BG YILMA'S ASSAILANTS (ATTACK OCCURRED SEPTEMBER 1973) IF NECESSARY TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF THE TENNECO FIVE.

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